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Application No. 10/813,125 : **DECISION ON PETITION**  
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.182, filed August 22, 2007, requesting issuance of a duplicate Letters Patent for the above-identified patent.

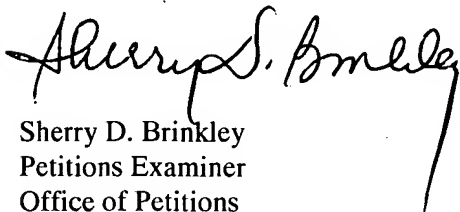
The petition is **GRANTED**.

The Publishing Division is directed to issue a duplicate Letters Patent.

As authorized, the \$400 fee for the petition under 37 CFR 1.182 has been assessed to petitioner's deposit account.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3204. Inquiries regarding the issuance of a duplicate Letters Patent may be directed to Krystal Paige in the Publishing Division at (703) 308-9250, Ext. 139.

A copy of this decision is being faxed to Publishing Division for issuance of a duplicate Letters Patent.

  
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